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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

An architecture for providing device software from a network peripheral device to a client machine. An end-user of a client machine connected to the network accesses the network peripheral device having the device software stored therein. In response thereto, the network peripheral device notifies the end-user that device software is available for download. The end-user then manually selects and downloads one or more components of the device software from the network peripheral device for subsequent installation on the client machine.